

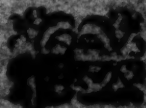
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A
HISTORICALL
Relation

Of the Famous Siege of the Bulte,
And the In. Prising of Wesell.

Together
With the Articles, and points of
Composition granted by his
Excellencie the Prince of
Orange to those of the
Towne.

And
A Description of the Bulte, and order
of their Garrison marching out
of the City, and some
other additions here-
unto annexed.



Written by M. H. quar-
termaster to my lord Gene-
ral Youngs Regiment.

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To
His honoured friends, The Deputy, Minister,
Treasurers, Assistants, and Generality,
of the right Worshipfull Com-
pany of Marchant Adven-
turers residing in
Delph.

Right worthy and much respected, The last Aprill, when I went out of the Towne to the Army, I was engaged by promise to three of my friends among you; As occasions offered, to aduertize you now and then, of our proceedings befoe the Buſſe, which according to my weake ability, I did performe. But seeing the most part of you were eye witnesses at the siege, Saw our workes, and approaches, went to the very point, and into the galleryes, and sent some Cannon bullets into the Towne, before it was giuen ouer, and since saw that glorious day (which made amends for your ill nights lodging) when the Enemies garrison marched out of it: And that hauing now more leasure for the refreshing of your memories, I haue recollected the parts of my letters then writtento you, into a whole and briefe discourse Touching the siege of the Buſſe, and the surprising of Wesell. I confesse it is a graue story, & a braue subiect, for a farr more eloquent pen then mine, to worke vpon, but considering my employment in this siege and that truth & blunnesse best becomes a souldier, I haue ventured vpon It to breake the yce vnto another. Such as it is, It comes vnto you from a souldier as a small retribution in acknowledgment, of that great loue and comfort he hath found amonge you, and not to shewe him selfe an vngrateful man beseeching you to accept of it with as free a hart, as he Presents it vnto you: & so pardon what therein is amisse. Thus praying the Almighty to enrich you with all his blessings both Spirituall and Temporall I recommend you to his grace, and protection, and rest.

Thus, to doe you all acceptable service.

Henry Hexham,



A

Briefe relation of the Heere of the Bulle And the surprizing of Wesell.



For the happy Victory, obtained by that wise and valiant Generall Peter Heyne, over the Spanish silver Heere, and the safe returne, of the West Indian Ship into the Netherlander the Lords the States Generall, and the Prince of Orange, marking wisely herein the goodness and providence of God, that, that *Nemous belli*, which the King of Spayne would have employed against them, was now brought into the bowels of their country, tooke courage, resolved for the field, and preparations being made and finished, his Excel. to assure the Enemy, appointed our Rendezvous at Muck-heath the 25 of April 1639. where the companies being come, expected further order from the Prince.

On Tuesday then the 24 of April 1639, according to the new Bill, his Excel. Sr Harry Veyne, his Majesties extraordinary Lord Ambassadors, my Lord Generall Vere, with divers other Lords and commanders, set forward from the Hague that night lodged at Vrechter the next at Arnhem, whence I sent monsieur Wyts, Lieutenant major General to Skinner-Loone with this order, that the shipping should tack about, and follow down the Rine to Nemegen. The wayes being muliered distributed to 3 companies, the 23. 3 Prince & his estate departed from Arnhem to Nemegen, & gave command, that the companies should be drawne off from shipboard, and march along by the towne side to Mucker-heath, where the Army quartered that night, under the heavens canopy, by the same token signified almost all that night.

On the morrow being the 25 his Excel. gave order that

the creeke of the day, at the first beating of his drumme the souldiers should put on their armes, at the second beating of a march, they should draw forth and be readie to march. Monsieur Percivall the quarter master Generall with the quarter masters of every Regiment, and the capitaine of the pioniers went before to prepare the way, by which the army should march, and so made a way thorow closses and ditches till they came to the Maze dyke, and then the army marcht along the dyke, till they came a musket shot beneath y Graue, where they found a bridge layed ready over the Maze, and there passed ouer the bridge 56 troopes of Horse, and 286 companies of foote, whereof many were double, which marcht to the way y goes to the Busse, where the three Brigadoes of the Army, the Avant guard, the Battaille, and the Reere, were quartered that night in a right line vpon the Heath, which made a goodly shew, with the butt ends of their pikes sticking in the ground, in their ranckes and files, and our Horse lodg'd on the right hand of the Heath, at two villages called Recke, and Schayck neere vnto them.

On monday morning the last of Aprill, the Army began to moue againe, at the break of day, and that night marcht to a Village called *Hefricks*, where there was a castle, which the enimie held some two houres going fro the Busse, whether the quarter Masters riding before to quarter the Army, they lay pelting at them, and some straglers; out of the loope holes of the Castle: but his Excellencie sent them word by the Gentelman, which dwelt in the Castle, that they should not play y fooles too long in holding it out; for if they did, & that they did force him to bring ordinance before it, hee would beare it about their eares, and that they were to expect no quarter. He summoned them once more by his Trumpetter: yet for all that they held it out still, till they saw the Avantgard of our armie, come marching towards them, and then they yeilded, and cryd *peccant*, and sould to our souldiers bread, butter, beere, sheefe, bacon, hens, and ducks, which was a good refreshment to them. Count Ernest comming vp turned them out, and put some 60 of our firelockes into it, and to the Armie was lodg'd that night in the fields, and meddowes by the river side, called the Aye.

The next day being May-day, the Armie marcht through a village called *Gemonde*, where they passed a bridg ouer the *Dummell*, and the Armie being marcht to the Heath his Excellencie made a halt, and broke his fast in a peasants house, and having broke his fast, tooke with him a thousand horse, and went to view the ground at *Vucht*, where y Armie should be

be quartered, the enemy not forgetting now and then, to send vs some Cannon bullets from the towne, and sconce. After his Excellencie had well viewed the ground, and found out the convenientest places for vs to quarter in: he gave order to the quarter master generall, to give to euery quarter master his ground, and lodg'd himselfe in a Gentlemans house at *Vucht*, called Heyms-houfe, and my Lord generall Vere, was lodg'd in a house next vnto him. Then the armie was parted, & were quartered thus, the gardes, the English, the French the walloones, and the Lord of Diedens Regiment, consisting of 134 companies of foote (besides horse) with his Excle at *Vucht*. The Scotch, the frizons, and some dutch Regiments consisting of 30 companies with Count Ernest at *Nimuen*. Count William of Nassawe Gouverneur of Huyden with 35 companies at *Ossen*, The Lord of Breadbroods with 36 companies vpon the side of the Petlar sconce. And Count Solome with the Lord of Hemers company and others at *Engelen* for the safety of our shipping. And on the 11th of May Monsieur Pincen came with 23 companies, which attended the Riuer, and tooke vp his quarter at *Deutenen* by Grubbingdonks Koy, and so in this manner the Busse was girt about.

On wensday the second of May, all the quarters being layd out, and euery Regiment and company having their ground giuen them, his Excle that afternoone sent for the Commis Martin, and all the quartermasters, and there in his chamber makes a calculation himselfe, how many spades, pickaxes, & shovels the Commis had in the quarter, which fell to be 32 to euery single company, 64 to a double, giving with all expresse charge to the quarter masters, that the next morning betime they should begin to entrench their quarters, which was done with such expedition, that the same night the trench was made vp, and his Excle towards euening riding along the line to view the worke gaue thanks to the Captaines, quartermasters, and souldiers for their diligence therein.

The quarters then being defensible, as so many Bees to their hives, so each souldier brings something to the making vp of his hurt. This being done his Excle. rides about to view the ground for his out line. The line of Circumvallation wh it Angells, was nigh 30 English miles in circuit. Wee may take it thus, from the right side of the Danne, where the Dammell was stopr, it ran along by Generall Cicilla quarter and so to Cornell Harewoods, from thence to the Walloones along the heath to the Milefort, and so downe to the stone gallows, then along from the *Vuchter* heath, to *Deutenen*, from thence to the Busse flood, and so along the mouth of

in Engelen, from Engelen to Croni-corn, and from thence on
the other side of the Bulte, downe to Onen in Camp Wille-
mer quarter, from thence to Huis to Count Straung quarter
and then along by the New cloister, the Sack mill, & Cou-
water, to the Lord of Broadbrondes quarter, and so to the V.
from Leonce, from thence to Baskell Leonce, and so to the
Damme, where it met againe.

It was admirable to see the vigilance, and carefulnes of the
Prince: for there was not a patch of ground, by which the
Enemy might have relied the Towne, but it was most strong-
ly fortified, & Leonce, home-work, halfe-moones, redoubts
and transees, as likewise the inner line against the Towne
which for brevity sake I refer you to the Carder. But that web
was most remarkable, and which Grobblingdonk least dre-
amed of, & which he ingeniously confess vnto Lord of Hemer
as he marcht out of the Towne, whereof the one was the
passing of the Hollands dyke by the spade over the drowned
land by his Roy, and so along to the Bulte floore, wrought all
by peasants which brought Earth and brush in boates, and in
diuers places made this dyke, which was drowned with water
higher then to a mans middle: & other, the stopping of the
Dummel, which overflow'd and fed the morrice round about
the Bulte, which water was artificially carried and conveyed
round about our quarters, by two ditches ouer the Heath, &
one being 20 foote broad, and the other 36 foote ouer and
8 or ten foote deepe in diuers places, web discharged it selfe
into the ground land by Vleeme, and into the Bulte floore.

But before his Excellencie could make this Hollands dyke
gardable, upon the fourth of May in the night, there Cpt
into the towne 600 souldiers from Breda, which came by Vlee
to Deutenen (where mons. Pincens quarters was afterward)
and from thence wading vp to the arme pits by the Lowe
Leonce, got into the towne by Saint Johns Porte. But on the
11 of May monsieur Pincen tooke vp his quarter by Omb-
bindonskes keys, and so stopt this passage for coming that
way any more.

The our line then being finished, and a floure worker made
vp and defensible which lasted well nigh three weekes or a
month, his Excellencie then began his approaches, euery ac-
tion striving for his honour, as in Agamemnons arnie before
Troye. The first night ground was broken and two Redoubts
made in the way as ye got from Vucht to the little Leonce,
the next night we aduanced a floure east further, and made two
other Redoubts with a tranche betweene them, there wee
and the french shooke hands, and parted wt with the gales

for the iudefconce, they with the Willmores and the Lord of Dindens Regiment for 9 great, till we met againe at the Petlar Sconce: yet notwithstanding having broken ground foure 300 paces further, his Excellencie caused a line of communication to bee made betwixt vs and them, and a batterie in the midd of it, that vpon any occasion wee might second one another. This breaking of ground anntisowed with commanded men at 10. Rs. a night, till wee got within halfe musket shot of both sconces, and alwaies as we got ground by windings and turnings: so wee made gardes, batteries, traverfes, and blinds, for the safeguard and defence of our selves. And for the Approaches Capt: Iohn de Boleh, & Mr Humfrey were appointed Ingieners for the English, Mons. Peruval and his sonne for the French.

The commanded men then being discharged, & that it began to grow hot, by reason of the enemies often shooting, the workemasters tooke on the approaches, & tap forward by degrees for al the enemies shooting both with ordinance & small shot, & still making guards, batteries, & blinds for the security of our men, till wee came to the water, which falls out of the Dummell into 9 moare of fide seabe, making it a little Island, before wee could come to the moare it selfe, and as wee advanced: so we drew forward our ordinance, which played vpon both of the Sconces, till we came to the laying ouer of our first gallery.

The French likewise aduanced their workes euery day making guards, batteries, and blinds, till they got to the moore of the Morne-worke without the great Sconce, where they also began to lay ouer their first gallery.

The Lord of Breadroode made likewise approaches, vpon the Petlar Sconce ouer the morrace, which was very deepe filling it vp with earth and brush, till he got within two or three rods of the counterscarpe of the Petlar Sconce.

Court Ernest on Hinton side did the like, by aduancing his approaches, and made his first battery of sixe halfe Canon, almost within musket shot of the Towne, still making guards, batteries, and blinds, as he got ground, till he came to the moore of chely horse-worke, without the halfe-moore on that side, and likewise till he was ready to put ouer his first gallery.

On his side was made a great battery of seauen whole Canon and some halfe, which played into the Towne, & vpon the skirts of the Towne, betwene the Orrener and Hinton Port. From this great battery, ran a line downe to the great earthen gallery, which was wrought ouer the morrace y^e 3 fowre deepe, with blinds and traverfes, filld vp with earth, sods, & stones, till it was brought within ten paces of the wall on the

side of the Towne. And from this great battery ran a line of Communication downe to Count Williams two batteries vpon the Orterer dike, which shot likewise into the Towne, and vpon that Port.

There was likewise approaches made on Monsieur Pincens side, towards St Iohns Port, to keepe the ennemy in, and to make some Crosse bartenies to play vpon the Towne, Vuchter Port, and halfe-moone, but by reason of the depth of the morrace he could not approach farre, and thus much for the approaches in generall.

When wee were fast, Count Harry of the Berke, musters vp his forces, giues them a moneths pay, and at length marcheth with his army consisting of some 7000 horse and 20000 foote, and came and quartered at Sprang, Walwick, Druiue, and Loone. And on the 27 of Iune, he marches from Vleeme to Cromford and Helford, within an English mile and a halfe of our out line, and shewing himselfe our ordinance bids him welcome, and lets fly at his men, as they marched towards their quarters, and being quartered in these two villages, buzzes vp and downe, to spy out all advantages, where he might best relieve the Towne. And to amaze the more, on the 28 he marches with the grosse of his Army back againe towards Vleeme, and while his designe lay another way, giues an alarm in the night by Bugle, and on monsieur Pincens side, and in the interim sent a matter of 4000 horse, and foote, with 800 fire-lockes, each hauing a leather bag of powder, to put them into the Towne, betweene the Perla Sconce, and Count Ernests quarter, and brought along with them spades, fagots and plancks, to fall vpon a horne-worke of ours not farre from Coudewater: but being discovered by our men in the night, which stood ready to receiue them, the alarm being giuen, they were beaten off, some of them drowned, and others being shot and wounded, retreated, and left some of their powder bags behind them.

This failing, he had another designe by the helpe of two treacherous peasants, for the cutting of our Damme. The same night these peasants as their guides, brought his men along the little dike, which runnes from the Damme to Busil by 3 bores houses: but they in the night discovering generall Cicills tents which were newly set vp, their hearts misgaue them, and they faised that they had mistaken their waye, and so retreated without attempting it, part of a company daely hauing the guard at that point vpon the dike, while the rest of the companies were drawne to the line vpon the Heath, they might easily haue effected it. Our men in the morning discouering

them, as they marched toward Count Harres quarters, there were halfe Canons which lay vpon Generall Cicills battery let flye at them, and slew some of them. But to prevent this, the next day his Excie caused a bundance of palisadoes to be driuen into the dyke, and made a battery, where they should haue come on, of two pieces of ordinance, and from thence to Berkell sence, chayned boates together ouer the water before the damme for the defence of it.

Count Harry of the Berke being then quartered at Buxill, Cromford, and Helford, within an English mile and a halfe of our out line, wee beganne to come into action, and made the nights our dayes, and the dayes our nights, expecting still his coming, which continued 23 nights together till he left vs. The companies of all Nations, beset the line of Circumvallation, some 200 paces distant one from another, round about the Army, and the horse standing behinde them in battails ready to receiue him. His Excie and the king of Bohemia with their trains euery night about midnight going the Grand Round, to answer all alarums. The same night that he intended to put in these firelockes, and their powder bags into the Towne, and to haue cut the damme, and haue let in a sea of water vpon vs, which was round about our trenches, returning from Vleeme with the grosse of his Army, he discovered himselfe betimes in the morning, as soon as it was light, by the downes, and had layd an ambuscado of musketeers, in a ditch by trees, &c. behinde the downes he made a halt with his horse and foote, and sends out first some 20 or 25 horse to entertaine a skirmish with our horse, which had the out guard. The trumpets sounds a charge, and our Canons roares from all the batteries vpon the line, and sent bullets toward their battalions, and among their horse that skirmish. The skirmish betwix our horse and theirs encreased, and as the Enemy sent out more horse from behind the hills, so wee did the like from the fort, whereon his Excie stood with the king of Bohemia. At last there came two or three troope of horse to skirmish and change bullets on with another, and still our ordinance giuing fire among them, our horse charging them toward the foote of the downes, they fayned a retreat to draw on our horse within their Ambuscado. And monsieur Maue a French Captaine of a troope of horse, charging home his horse from the Ambuscado was slayne vnder him. The Enemy falls out againe with more horse, and takes this French Captaine Monsieur Maue prisoner. The Duke of Bulion seeing him thus engaged, chargeth with a troope of two more to rescue him, and while two of the Enemys men

were a disposing whose prisoner he should be, our horse charged them againe driving them to a retreat, & they not having time to carry their prisoner away, to ena the dispute pistols him, and so the Duke brought off his body. This skirmish continuing a while after betwene our house and theirs Count Harry marched away with his troops to his quarters, and his Batts with a perspective glasse, saw his Army and told their countours. and when they were marcht away his Exce gave order that we should be drawne off, and march to our quarters to our rest. Count Harry removing his quarters from Cromford, & Melford, to Buxill, the English then beset the line from the damme to the Vissower scone, and from thence to the Lord of Breadbroods quarter. And Count Harry at the last seeing it was impossible for him to relieue the Towne, leaning vs. the companies were eased of this extraordinary duty He marche towards the Grane, and his ordinance being ginsed & sunk into the ground, made a halt for a day or two to get them off, which made vs imagine he would have returned back againe to vs. But at length he passed the mare by Mucker, and made as though he marcht away, and had nothing to say to Nemegen, but berhinking himselfe wel, stole backe in the night with some of his forces to surprize it. The Burghers and souldiers hauing intelligence of his coming provided for him, and were in a readinesse vpon the wall to welcome him, and the alarum being silently taken, they gave fire from the wall among his troopes, and if a Cannoner could haue but found the key of a powder house not farre from his halfe canon, wherethey should haue false on, they had payd him better, howlouer they carryed off a waggon full of dead bodies, and hurt men, and in the morning found many armes which they had left behind, as M^r Pilgrime the seruice master of Nemegen told mee, who was then present with his musket vpon the wall.

The Enemies Politie was now by way of discession, to raise vs from the siege of the Bussie, and to that end sent the Governor of Ling, and Dulcken which was the gouernour of Groll with certaine musketers and firelocks before, to the Isell to gaine a passage, while Count Harry passes the Rhine at Westell, and meets with the Emperours forces. The gouernour by the helpe of a ferry mans scone (who for his reward they after ward made Capteyne) got over the Isell at Isellort, Capteine Dabbs and a Scotch Capitaine marcht as fast as they could to stop & hinder the enemies passage by sloopes over the Isell, but came to late notwithstanding he got up as many of his men as he could, and fight bravely with the Enemy, in which

fight, hee himselfe, and diuers of his company were slain. The
 enemies being come ouer the *Isel* falls to worke as fast as they
 could, to maintaine and make good their passage, till more
 forces came vp to them. Count Harry hauing the newes off
 it, sent with all expedition the Imperours forces horse, & foot
 to them. Arnhem was then in a pittifull feare, and diuers of the
 best fort fled out of the towne, which gaue discouragement to
 their fellow Burghers, and caused there a great disorder. Newes
 came to the Prince, that the enemy was passed ouer the *Isel*
 at *Iselort* into the vellowe, he presently sent forces out of our
 Armie at severall times, as first the lord of Diadons Regiments
 with diuers English, french, and Scotch companies. afterward
 count Ernst, Coroneel Harwood, Lieutenant Coroneel Pag-
 nam for the English, and Coroneel Hasterius for the French.
 Count Ernst coming to Arnhem and finding it much distre-
 ssed, caused his drums to beate a proclamation, that those Bur-
 gers which were fled & had abandoned the towne should vpon
 penalty of confiscating their goods and lands returne backe a-
 gaine into the Towne. Then he guards and besets the River
 from Arnhem to Skinckennes, and so to Nimogen ouer which
 Coroneel Harwood, and Lieutenant Coroneel Pagnam com-
 manded. And from Arnhem downe the River to Rhyna, and
 wagner ouer whom Coroneel Hasterius & *St John Verc* com-
 manded. The Enemy after they had throwne themselves be-
 fore Arnhem vpon the hills, and made some incursions into
 the vellowe, they took in a space of ours betwene Doulberow
 and Zuephin; on the vellow side by Spaukeren, which a seriant
 with small reputation vpon the first summons gaue over.
 The Enemy finding this place more Conuenient, removed his
 bridge and quarter from Helors & came thither, because it
 was a higher ground, and better for his Army to lodge in, and
 there layd ouer his bridge, & drew in piles of eake before it
 so to sett it from breaking or burning, and both on the vellowe
 side, and the countie side at the end thereof made strong fort,
 and entrenchments with sauen points to defend it. And being
 thus got into the ground and fortified, the Duke of Mount Cu-
 only who commanded the Counties, accompanied with Count
 Harry of the Berks sought marchin thow the fens by a nar-
 row passage to Amersford; and those of the Towne after a
 Cannons shot or two from the gallows hill giues it over e-
 uerthilly, whereas if they had held it but two or three dayes
 till the Prince had sent to them, or if hanger had made the ene-
 my to forsake them, they had done better and gained more re-
 putation. Amersford now being taken, there was likewise a
 great disorder in Vrecht, because of the flight of some of
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their chiefe men and Burgers. The Papists began in diuers places to put vp their heads and expected a day. The Lords the States generall themselves to giue encouragement to those of Vtrecht in this perplexed time, and to prevent further disorders, were fayne to remoue their counsell from the Haghe to Vtrecht. And General Morgan in this distresse, came happily out of Denmarke, & put in forces into Campen, Swoll, Deuenter and Zutphen. The States began to fortifie Vtrecht, and ran a trench along the river side that goes from Vtrecht to the Fare. To be short, the Enemy being master of Amersford many mens hearts began to faile them, and they hung downe their heads like bulrushes, you may likewise imagine, what heavy newes this was in our Army, and how bobbar'd the papists grew herevpon, witnes two, y one who had giuen out, that his Excel. was risen from the Bulle, That the Enemy had beaten vp the Lord of Breadroods quarter, and had relieued y owne, for which report, he might very well haue had his braines knockt out, and his house plundered by the popularity if the magistrates had not wisely prevented it. The other after his seeing māer said to some of our Religion. *Oh hoe geel zyn nudo Geux here broeck.* His Excel. was much importuned by some to raise his siege, to hinder the Enemies further incursions into the heart of their country, which he would by noo meanes heare off: notwithstanding cald a coancill of warre vpon it, and tooke y advise of his chiefs & Coronells. His Excel. knowing fullwell what an infinite charge this siege had cost the land, & that his honour, & all ours lay at y stake vpon it, and so resolved to continue his siege, and to rest vpon the providence of God for the Event. Whiles the Enemy was thus a dominating in Amersford, firing, plundering, and rauaging the vellow & had intended another expedition for Harroen, Swoll, Campen and those parts: Newes comes from heauen, that Wesell was taken, this dashed all, & breakes the necks of all their designs. The Lord shuts a doore behind him, puts a hooke in his nostrills, and fetches him back with a whirre. The Emperours men & Crawats, who had left their goods & riches in Wesell, sweates by *een hardert dyssent tamen van getaste dysselen* & thought y there had bene iugling betwene y Prince of Orange & Count Harry his Cousin. The post which brought the first newes of it to them, was beaten, and threatened to be hanged for his labour. And they made as much hast as they could to be iogging from Amersford. The newes comming to our army it was so strange that the Prince himselfe scarcely beleueed it, but at last breakes out into admiration as it was reported, & said, if it be so, it was merrely the worke of God, and not mans.

And

And to vs it was as a dreame, we could hardly giue credit vnto
it, till it was thorowly seconded, and confirmed.
If it please you I will relate vnto you, how, & in what manner it
was surpris'd. First; as a preamble thereto yee haue heard,
how that the Enemy against oath, & promise had thus vp the
greate Church in Wessel, against those of our religion, and for
tooth to coulorthis as comonly they doe, they gaue the child
another name: it was the Emperours doings, yet if they would
pay a round summe of mony, they would open the church
doores, and they should haue the liberty of their conscience
and free exercise of their religion againe. This was onely a
trick to exhaust mony from them, for they vse to keepe faith
no longer with Hereticks, then till they find their advantages,
according to the maxime of the Council of Tient. But the
righteous God, who is the reuenger of such perfidiousnesse:
as he heard the sighs and groanes of the children of Israel, vn-
der the Tyranny of Pharaoh: so heard hee also the Sobbs &
prayers of his afflicted seruants in this Towne, and sent them a
sudden deliuerance in an v unexpected time, by the helpe of two
or three weake instruments: (for hee can helpe with a few as
well as with a multitude) from the spanish yoke, who had be-
roft them of their spirituall Manna. To this end a speciall oc-
casion then presented it selfe by reason of a new Bulwark which
was a making on the East side of the Towne, and lay open, &
was onely shut in with a palisadoe, which might easily be bea-
ten downe, as the Event hereafter shewed. The vnderakers
of this enterpryse were Pieter Mulder, Richard Mulder his
brother, and Iohn Roteler, all three Burgers of Wessell, men
of a meane Condition, but of a good spirit and resolution, to
performe that which they had vnderaken. This Pieter Mul-
der diuers times saining to learne to swimme, had pild the depth
of the moate on that side, and spying out all oportunities made
a great Iron hammer, to beate downe the aboue said palisado.
The time and place then being designed on the 18th of Au-
gust 1619, hee went out of Wessell at one port some three
howres before the shutting of the gates, and an houre after
his brother followed him and went out at another port, and
Iohn Roteler a little before the shutting of the ports went out
at a third port, least any thing should be discovered, and to
bring them newes if al were well in town, & meeting all three
together in the dark at the place appointed, fel all three doune
vpon their knees and implored the aide of the Lord of Hosts,
to giue them wisdom, strength, and courage, to performe
which they had vnderaken for the deliuerance of their fellow
Christians and brethren, patiently attending the coming of
lord

Lord of Bieden generous of Harick who being Prince had
 the command for the managing of this designe, About mid-
 night more vnto than from diuers places a matter of sixtine
 hundred footmen (some markediers others firelockes and halfe
 pikas) and eight troops of horse. Before they went on, the
 Lord of Bieden to doe noe man wrong made them drawe Bil-
 lets, who should first fall on, the first bulle then fel to captaine
John Mygrenz. The second to the *Dressard of Brasfort*. The third
 to Monsieur *Dieff*. the fourth to Monsieur *Market*. And the
 fifth to Monsieur *Lamish*. each captaine having 150 men vnder
 his command. Peeter Mulder, & his two comrades goes on
 courageously before them as a forelorne hope, giuing cou-
 rage to the souldiers, whose hearts began a little to misgiue
 them. Ene our troops came thither, and that the Lord of
 Bieden had ordered the businesse thus, it began to be light,
 and they did imagine that it was not practickable. The Ene.
 my likewise, seeing the day broke, and that it began to be very
 light, drew off their *by-march* from that place, and betooke
 themselves to their rest. But God who is the disposer of all
 warlike attempts, and giues courage to men, at last our men
 fel upon the bulwarks abouted, and *Peeter Mulder* (as is sayd
 going before) breakes downe the palisado with his hammer,
 and makes an entrance, the officers, and souldiers seconded
 him heartily, and enters the towne on Sunday morning the 19
 of August: 629 a little before luncheon, after the guard was
 drawn off. And cutting off two paths one adioyning to the
 place here up stile towards the market place. The clamour
 was so sudden, that the enemies men running too and agone
 to asure it, knew not our men from their owne. Captaine
Mygrenz, who was the first that eered men with some resist-
 ance vnder the Gaugagen post, (or prisoners gate) and
 shewed three encounters with the enemies, having but 40 men
 with him, leaving the rest to keepe open the entrance, and to
 guard the corners of the streets that the enemies might gather
 not head to out of his second behinde him. In the *Irakam*,
Peeter Mulder ran in at last to Valseu the smith one of his
 acquaintance, and knockt him vp, and cald to him, I towar was
 Ours, the smith being much amazed at such a sudden noise
 opened his shopp dore, and they taking his men, and the gun-
 nest hammer he had, ran vnto the *Braynsh* post,
 broke of the lockes, barres, and bolts thereof, and carried the
 gun, but continuing to the draw bridge was suddenly posted a
 good while, before he could get downe the slides of the
 bridge, but at the last (O the admirable provisions of Gods
 minde) a cannon bullet from the bulwarks which *Sarkard*

bridge, as *Peter Mulder* himselfe reported to his maister at Amsterdā, and shot the chaine assunder, downe goes the bridge the horse which stood before the port enters, the trumpets sound *tantara*, they scowle the streets, and drawes vp in bataile into the market place *de capen pied*, with their pistols in their hands, The Spaniards fled out of the Towne to the sconces, our foote followes the horse, besetts the wall, and possesse all their guards, breakes downe their bridge, which lay ouer the Rhync, and which draue downe the stream towards Rees, & sets fire on some stoo pes and punts, which were on the other side of the water. The Sconces comming in vpon composition. And the brunt being ouer, the souldiers fell a plundring, gott into the Spaniards shops: the officers houses, and the bitterest Papists and Iewes houses, Ranacks the eloisters, breakes downe the Images in the churches, and got an incredible booty. As Count Harry of the Berk his plate, and chiefest baggage. Monsient Count Cuculies mony and goods, The riches of diuers Coronells, horse and foote Captaines, which 3 Emperours men and Crawats had gott in the Germane wars, and left there behind them for safety in their expedition into 3 velow, To conclude 3 foote deuided the spoyle, & the horsemen shared bags and barrells of rix-dollers by the haufulls. But that which was most remarkeable (O iust God!) that church, which they had bolted vp against those of the Religion, that very Sunday was made a prison for their officer and souldiers till on the morrow they were sent prisoners to Arnhem, and the officers stood good for the ransom of 1042 souldiers, who the next day were sett ouer the water with their wives and children. There was six companies of Spaniards, and eight others of seuerall nations in the Towne, besides some horse.

Three of the Enemies Captaines were slaine, and about 70 souldiers, and we lost but nine in all. The names of the prisoners taken were these,

Francisco Lozano Gouernour, The chiefe ketteritz, *Baron de liques*, Captaine *la Crous*, Captaine *Burges*, Captaine *Ventor*, The chiefe Bour, and Captaine *Bour*, Captaine *Nienborow*, Captaine *la Court*, Captaine *Darimont*, Captaine *Crijs*, Captaine *Velasco*, Captaine *Bourri*, Captaine *Perry* Reformado, *Galleron*, Sariane Maior of the Towne, Captaine *la Noye*, Care a house Captaine, *Rottely* 3 Auditor, *L'Espe* cho Phisitian of the Hospital of *Rhinberke*, Ensigne *Collart*, Leutenant *Bitelle*, Ensigne *Keteritz*, Ensigne *Charles de Roze*, *Amiball Semouet*, Sariane Maior reformado, *Hubart Wallart*, Commissary of the musters, *Ferdinando wickell* a nother Commissary of the musters, *Christian Rollard*, Commissarie of 3 victuals, *Anthony Nimpha* *Alpheries* or *Esagee* Reformado

reformato Jerome de Dine likewise commissarie of the victual. *Ian de Sadino Aferus reformato*, *Ian de contesedo Aferus reformato*, *Francisco Pelo*, prouisional Marthal, *Eyl Bour* Ensigne, *Pedro de Vanverre* lieutenant and officiall of the maior Domo *Lucas Ancie* Ingineur, *Matthew Tys*, lieutenant to the horse troope of Captaine *Storoy*, *Henry Couet*, Ensigne *Charles Wattle* lieutenant reformato. *Benedid Iacob*, lieutenant to *Veliscos* company *Anthony Belec*, Ensigne *Nicholas Alphen*, Commissary ouer the victualls, *Charpentier* likewise commissary ouer the victualls, *Gabriell Soutely*, marshall of a Regiment, and *Baltazar Moiret* Ensigne. Besides all those prisoners, many smal barrels of pistols and six-dollors which was for the payment off their Armie. six and forty peeces of ordinance vpon the wall, & two without carrages lying in the market place, and two in y^e magasin, two morters, Armes as Corselets, pikes, muskets, and firelockes, for to arme fise thousand men, a thousand barrels of powder, besides all this, greate store of meale, abundance of Corne, and othervictualls and provisions for their Armie. In fine this Towne was *sedes belli* the magasin for theyr warr, which the Lord thus deliuered into our hands. O Lord I cannot call to minde this thy glorious worke, or drawe my pen from paper, but I must render thanks vnto thee, & sing forth thy prayes with the rest of thy people. Thou y^e lookest downe from heauen, and hast heard the prayers of thy people: yea euen of that Towne, which was a refuge to vs in the dayes of persecution, witness a Dutchesse of England. wee may well sing with thy holy Prophets, *Wee haue a strong Citty, saluation will G O D appoint for walls, & Bulwarke. Open ye the gates that the King of glory may enter in. Let vs therefore put our trust in the L O R D, for ever for in the L O R D* Iehouah is everlasting strength. He hath done marvelous things and his Right hand hath got him the victorie. Yea, the L O R D made that Church which was shut vp against his faithfull ones in this Towne, to bee a prison for their enemies for the breach of their promise.

Therefore blessed bee the L O R D G O D of Israel, from everlasting, to everlasting. Amen. Amen.

Having made this digression and *Wesell* being Gewe, I returne againe to our approaches at the Basse, before wee came to the laying ouer of our first Gallery, there the Captaine of his Excelencies gird got a dangerous shot in the forehead, that he lost his Eye, Captaine *Ombas*, a worthy Ingineer shewing his bodie to open, was snapt of and slaine with a firelock, and Captaine *Clarke* shot thorow both his legs, & having brought ouer our gallerie wee could not come to the moare of the little *Souce* before wee had beaten the enemies out of two tra-

verfes and a point which came out of the Counterſcharſein the forme of a halfe moone on our right hand next the Dummel, at the entrance of our Gallerie ouer this fiſt water on y left hand wee had a batterie vpon which Coronell Harwood was ſhot thorow his hat, my Lord of Oxford ſtanding by.

The gallerie beeing ouer wee began to ſapp, and made a mine into the enemies fiſt traverſe, that night which *St Iacob Aſhly* commanded in the trenches deſirous of honour, he was appointed with ſome 60 pikes and muſketeirs to fall on after y mine was ſprung, and Captaine *Gouldwell* as Eldeſt Capraine to ſecond him, with more men. Before the mine was blowne vp he gaue the Enemy an alarm to draw them on towards our mine, and the mine being ſprung ſel on with his men and heate the enemy to a retreat out of part of their traverſe our men and the enemy giuing firſt brauely one at another a good while, but our men lying open to the bulwarke of the little *Sconce*, and their other traverſe, were faine to retreat againe into the mouth of our Gallerie. This mine tooke not wel, but ſprang rather backward then forward, and did more hurt to our owne men then to the enemies, caſting a greate deale of earth vpon *St Iacob Aſhly* cinging him and bruſing him, very ſhroudly vpon his arme, As likewiſe *Monſieur Neale* his Excellencies Inginer, broke his legge, and buryed ſome of our ſouldiers vnder the Earth which was blowne vp, and ſo came off with the loſſe of ſome men. yet from this earth which was caſt vp out of the enemies traverſe, wee began to ſap forward which the enemy ſeeing at laſt they quitted it, and ſo wee became maſters of it, and getting a litle more elbowe room, wee advanced forward to the moate of the litle *Sconce*, making gardes batteries and blindes, till we came to the very brink of it, where we began to put ouer our ſecond gallerie towards the point of the Bulwarke on the left hand of the *Sconce*, hauing then made three or ſoure batteries for the ſafegarde of our men and gallerie, wee battered the point of the Bulwarke ſo, where our gallerie was a putting ouer, that wee made it almoſt mountable. And now and then caſting ſome granadoes into y ſconces, that we made their huns, ſparrs, and duſt, ſlie about their eares.

Vpon the 8 of Iuly in the night the enemy ſallied out of y great *Sconce*, vpon the French, but were ſoone beaten in againe and a Lieutenant of the enemies, which commanded was take prisoner, and a Gent. of quality, and ſome 30 of them ſlaine and hurt.

The next day being the ninth of Iuly, *Mons. Chautillu* company hauing the gard in the french approaches, fell vpon the home

horn-woke without the great Sconce, but the enemy not dispuing it long quitted it, and retired to their Counterscarfe where on the right hand, they ent it of, & made a smal traueise in it, whence they gaue fire with their musketiers and firelocks vpon them, but the french hauing put their gallerie ouer the moate of the counterscarfe they came to the moate of the great Sconce, where they put ouer their second gallerie, into their false braye, on the left hand of their gallery the enemy had cut of their false bray, to hinder the workmen, and miners by giuing fire from a small traueise, vpon them.

On the 17th of Iuly about ten of the clock the brush and fagotts, were layd from the end of our second gallery, ouer the moate of the litle Sconce. And the french did the like ouer the moate of the great Sconce. Our souldiers puld downe the pallissadoes vnder the foote of the Bulwarke of the litle Sconce, and the same night began to make a mine into The Bulwarke. The french that night before the Lord of *Diedens* Regiment relieved them, had about with the enemy vpon the smal traueise, which they had cut off in their false-braye before they drew off, and being relieved, the 18th of Iuly about three of the clock in the morning the enemy quitted their great Sconce, out of feare of being cut off, becaule wee were gott ouer the moate of the litle Sconce, and began to mine into the Bulwarke thereof, leauing wine, victuals, beare, a boy and a dog behind them. The next night then being the 19th Colonel *Hartwood* commanding, the enemy likewise quitted not only the litle Sconce, but also a traueise out of the moate of the great Sconce next the towne, which they mought very well haue disputed, and thus the Great and litle Sconces, with the trauers were taken in, vpon the points whereof, his Excellencie with all expedition caused batteries to be made, which playd into the towne, vpon the Tenaile, Vuchterpott, and the halfe moone without it.

From this traueise on the other side of the moate of the litle Sconce, wee began a new Sap, towards another Traueise which they had vpon the dike betweene that and the Tenaile but the enemy seeing wee approached neere vnto it, quitted it, and retreated to the Tenaile it selfe. my Lord General *Vers* company of Schoonhouen with the rest of the companyes who had the gard with them, hauing sapt to the moate of the Tenaile, entertained a fight with the enemy a litle before they were relieved, and gaue fire brauely vpon the Tenaile, while two boate bridges were layd ouer vnto it & some musket batters set vp, & that they began a mine in the Tenaile. Our miners found much difficultie in making this mine, becaule the

foundation therof was layd with willow Trees, and rootes, A
croffe one another, howsoever they puld out some of the tree
and made a mine into it. That night the French relieved the
English, (For the Sconces being ours wee then ran one line, &
every nation relieved one another) and the next day the mine
being ready, the powder chamberd, and the traine layd to it,
the French to wit, m^{rs}. *Chattillone*, company, and the rest
having there the gard, for their honour would fall on, to see
if they could take in the Tenaile, and beate the enemy out of
it, wel then about eleuen of the clocke the mine being sprung
the French Captaines, voluntiers & diuers other Gentlemen of
great quality, (though the mine made no great entrance, fell
on valliantly, but the enemy having drawne some men out of
the Towne maintayned it stoutly, and finding no meanes to
enter it, were driven to retreat back againe, into our workes,
with the losse of some 30 voluntiers Gent. and souldiers slaine
and hurt, and so the enemy maintayned still their Tenaile.

The last day that the french had $\frac{1}{2}$ gard, The Duke of Can-
dale commanding, the french desirous of a reuenge, had a se-
cond bout with them, a little before they were relieved to see
if they could carry the Tenaile. Towardes euening then a
nother mine being made and sprung, they fell on againe, &
came to the push of the pike vpon $\frac{1}{2}$ right Corner of it, and set
vp some musket baskets, $\frac{1}{2}$ enemy layd about them, & thrast
some of them with yron stailles, and maintayned it stilly. They
gaue fire brauely one vpon another a good while; for the space
of halfe an houre, but at last the French were faine to fall off
againe, onely this aduantage was gotten during the fight, that
they turn'd vp the Earth so vpon the right corner of it, that
they lodg'd two or three musketiers almost in the top of it, fro
whence a fapp afterwards was begun, to see if wee could cut
of the left corner, & so become masters of the Tenaile.

The French that night being relieved by the walloens and
sapping forward from the corner aboue sayd, the enemy mar-
king it, quitted that night their Tenaile to the walloens and re-
treated to their halfe moone. vpon $\frac{1}{2}$ Tenaile his Excell. made
a great battery of nine halfe cannon, which beate vpon both
the bulwarkes, the port, and their halfe moone, without it. A-
bout this time a riuer which runs from the Busse to Creviceour
and so into the maze was stopt with a damme ouer it, that noe
water should come out of the maze, when it was high, too
seede the morrace, and the moate of the towne. And heare his
Excell. by an admirable Stratagem, caused 34 mathematicall
mills to bee set vpon the browe of this riuer drawne with hor-
ses, which drew vp abundance of water from below, sucking
it vp with funnells and casting it vp dismist it selfe vpon the

mills which cast out abundance of water when the winde blew stiffe and thus the water by these mills was drayned out of the dround land and the moate, by certaine ditches and conveyances to them.

On the tenth of August *Grubbindunck* in the night, sent out two souldiers with letters from himselfe, & others in the towne to the Infanta and their freinds at Brussells each of them having a paine of doves, which should be cast vp, and flye into the towne with her answeres back againe, with expresse order from the Gouvernour of al Schouts, and Burgomasters of the villages in Brabant, to furnish them with horse and Convoy to Brussells, but their harts failing them and fearing to be taken by our men, in passing the line and watches, the one Souldier being more wil'ing then the other drew out his knife and threatned to cut the others throte, if he would not goe along with him to the Prince, and so calling to our Centinels, The gard receiued them in, and the officer that commaunded in the morning brought them to his Excel. (The contents of these letters were as it is reported) That, hee could not hold out the Towne about three weekes, and that the Burgers for the saving of their goods, and liues, and shunning of danger would force him to a composition, and therefore required releife within that time, or els the Towne would be lost, of all which the Prince made good vse.

To goe on then the Tenaile being ours wee began a new sapp, from the right point therof, towards the enemies halfe moone, without the Vuchter port, running our approaches by oblique lines, windings and turnings, till wee came to the very brinke of the moate, where the dummels fall into it making the moate and it about 300 foot ouer, and ever as wee gott ground, so we advanced our ordinance, made batteries gards, and blinds, for the safegard of our men. There began the first entrance of our gallerie into the moate to bee put ouer into the bullwarke on the right hand of the port. On both sides the entrance of our long gallery, there were made for defence of it, two batteries of two halfe Cannon a peece, we beate vpon the bricke foundation of the bulwarke and likewise flankard our Gallerie on both sides. The ordinance likewise which were planted vpon the Tenaile, playd vpon the Bullwarke on each side the Port, to dismount their ordinance which shot vpon the end of our Gallerie and of our workmē but the enemies ordinance were so suncke that wee could not come at them, till they made other batteries, yet our Ordinance from thence did so batter and shatter the Brickie linings of the Bulwarke, on the right hand of the Port, that it was made

made almost mountable before the Earth brush and blind were layd ouer the moate from the end of our gallerie to the Bulwarke it selfe.

From vnder this Tenaile was also a planke bridg layd ouer the Dummell, and a blind made to get into the *Vuchsey* cync or Bleake field. In this parch of ground were made blinds and batteries to dismount the enemies Ordinances, which playd vpon our Gallerie and workemen, from the Bulwarke on the left hand of the Port, & a peece which they had sunk in their halfe moone. In this field also wee began to lay our secod Gallery ouer to the right face of the Bulwarke, but the enemies Ordinance from the bulwarke on the farther side of the Port rackt thorow and thorow it 8 or ten times and shot some of the posts thereof assunder, at the entrance of It into the moate: yet at the last our baterie in that field put them to silence, & an English Captaine an excellent Cannonier whose name I haue forgot, dismounted their halfe Cannon. That day my Lord of Oxford had the gard, by shooting iust into the Port bole, after this our men wrought more safely in both the Galleries. At the Entrance off our second Gallerie was likewise made a gard for the defence of It.

Our long Gallerie being got some 30 or 40 ioynts or posts ouer the Dummell and the moate, each ioynt being about 3 foot distant one from another, (And that it was counted a good night and dayes worke to fill vp the moate and set vp three or foure of them) The gards, batteries, and blinds being made higher and more defensible for our men: On the left hand of that blind which ran to the entrance of our long Gallerie into the moate, wee begun a sapp forwards towards the enemies halfe moone without the Port, making still Gards, & batteries for our Cannon and morters, till we came to the very counter Scharfe of the halfe moone, and so wee beate the enemy out of It into their halfe moone, by the same token Sarant Coxo of my Lord yerres company of *Sebeenhoven* who sel on with the men was soundly thrasht with an yron flayle for his labour, the counter scharfe being taken in, a bridge was layd ouer the ditch of the halfe moone to get a mine into the foundation thereof. In this sap, Captaine Clarke made a lofty gard, which was a very good defence for our men, especially to offend the enemy, when they peep, or shoot ouer out of their halfe moone, vpon our sappers and workemen.

On the 15th of August in the night the enemy had a Stragem in his head to cut our Trench by the little mile, and Condewater, & so to haue let in the water vpon our approaches. to put this into execution, Grubbingdonek sent out of the Towne

the Towne some hundred and fifty fire locks, with Spades, which stole in the night, betweene $\text{\textit{J}}$ Petlar Sconce & Count Ernests quarter thorow the inward line, where it was not finished, and came to the little windmill by our out line, And there having layd an ambuscado of some of their firelocks in a ditch, and behind some bushes fell to worke apace, to cut our Trench some 30 foote broad betweene the hornework & the Redoubts vpon the line, not farr from that place where Count Harry of the Berks men would haue attempted It before, but part of Captaine Broogs company hauing the gard in a Redoubt next vnto them gaue fire, and the Alarum being giuen, our horse which had the Gard in a house not farr from thence came vp to charge them, and giuing fire likewise from that Redoubt, they left their worke and retreated backe to their Ambuscado, leauing some spads and a paire of old shoes behind them, and as they retreated gaue fire vpon our horse men, and slew a corporall and hurt too or three more besides. But by reason of the morrace & the ditches our horses could not come to charge them, neither durst our foote fall out of their gards, and so they retreated back againe into the Towne some to English mile from the place where they fell a cutting, Surely If they had stayd but one halfe quarter of an houre longer or cut the gap not so broad, they had effected the busines they came for, because the water was not passing three ynches lower then the top of the Trench, and so should haue let in an Inuadation of water vpon vs.

On Satterday at night the 18th of August my Lieutenant Coronell Sr Edward Vere had the commaund in the Trenches, and on sunday his Excel. who often times ventured his person very much, came downe to the Gallery, to see the approaches a litte before my Lieutenant Coronel was relieved. Hee went to shew the Prince the Workes & the sapp. whiles the companies being relieved, were drawne off as farr as the little Sconce, my Lieutenant Coronel hauing shown his Excel. the sapp, and taking his leaue of him, walking of with Sr Tho. Conway being a tall man, came that vnhappy shot thorow the blind and shot him behind in his head, that It perisht his braynes, That night being brought vp into his Hur in $\text{\textit{J}}$ quarter, He cald vpon the Lord, that he was his shield, his buckler, and defence, and besought the Lord in mercy to pardon his sinns in *Christ*, & that he desired none in Heauen or Earth but *Christ* and his righteousness, and so vttered many comfortable sentences sauouring of a gracious resolution, and with in foure dayes after It pleased God, to call him to his mercy, and so wee lost our Lieutenant Coronel, whose extraordinary

valour

sufficiencie, and compleat abilities for a commander, as they were well knowne vnto vs: so was his losse exceedingly lamented by his Excel. and the chieftes of our Army.

My Lord Generall Vere, my Lord of Oxford, many Captaines, officers, voluntaries, and Gentlemen of quality, who had bin at his funerall in Bó mell, returning home, that night our Regiment had the gard in the approaches, and a ciuill worthy Gentleman of my Lords company of Dort, one Master Mullinax, that bare my Lieutenant Coronels sword before his Corps that day, going to see the sappe was the first that night we followed him the way of all flesh. My Lord Generall Vere bestird himselfe, had all his officers and Gentlemen and souldiers about him in a readines, that vpon the first occasion, If the enemy had either Sallied out vpon our sappers and workemen, or If they should haue attempted the firing of our Gallerie, they might haue beate them in againe, Captaine Hockwood of my Lords Regiment, as Eldest Captaine executed my Lords commands with valour and discretion, had his granado men at hand, and plac'd diuers musketiers vpon al flanks to play vpon the enemy & to keepe them vnder, for shooting vpon the end of our Gallene, and our workemen, and now and then sent them some Cannon bullets which shot vpon the top of their bulwarke, and vpon their halfe moone, too keepe them vnder, sometimes shooting A granado into the Towne and throwing hand granadoes amóg them, into their halfe-moone. Towards midnight the Enemy likewise did cast hand granadoes vpon our blind, next vnto their halfe-moone, and set fire on it, which brake out into a great flame, but the vigilency of my Lord Generall Vere was such, fearing that the fire might take further, he gaue order that some souldiers should take shouels, and spades from the workemen, and cast earth and water vpon it, which caused it to stae, and had two or three granado men in a readinesse there we ch payd them with their owne coine: but sure it was good that the wind blew South West, for had the winde bin Northwest, and had blowne stiffe, as it did, it had not onely endangered the firing of all our blinds, but also our gallery, we should haue hindred our approaches, and cast vs a great deale behind hand. And so this night and the day following our gallery, and workes were well advanced. This day Sir Harry Hungate got a marke of honour by a bullet which shot him thorow his busse Jerkin, and grazed vpon his flesh. Before our Regimt had the watch againe in the Approaches the gallery was wel advanced, and they got about three posts night and day. It was then my Lord of Oxford came to Command

Command who was made our Lieutenant Coronell in Sir Edward Veres place deceased. The bridg being layd ouer the ditch of the enemyes halfe moone wee began to sapp, and layd in the left Corner of It, and made a mine into It, we found It verie hard mining into It, because of the trees that laye a crosse in It. This euening there was discovered an engine vpon a floate from the furthest part of their halfe moone by the moate, which wee presuposed they had prepared for the firing of our Gallerie. to preuent this my Lord of Oxford got a sloop, which was brought about towards our Gallerie, that on a suddaine ten or twelue resolut souldiers wth short swords and pistolls might chopp into It, to hinder the enemy from fastning any fire workes vpon our Gallerie, which the enemy perceiuing left It vnattempted. His Lord gaue order likewise that our musketiers from all flanks should continually be playing, and our Ordinance shooting vpon the top of theyr Bulwarke and their halfe moone to keepe the enemy from Peeping ouer, and giuing fire vpon our workemen. This night though it was moone light the brush and faggots were layd ouer to the left hand of the Bulwarke from the end of our second Gallerie in the Bleach field, and thanks be to God but one man short in laying them ouer, as the Captaine of the Carpenter can witnesse, and an other souldier of Captaine Skippens short which stood Centinell in our long Gallerie.

My Lord Crauen whose worth was knowne to vs, & bounty to my Lord of Wimbletons company, this night and the day following watched with my Lord of Oxford, the next night with my Lord Cicills company, and the third night wth Generall Morgans Regiment. my Lord of Doncaster and my Lord Fielding two noble sparkes trayled pikes vnder my Lord of Wimbletons company & went downe to the approaches vpon any service that was to bee done, and exposed their bodies both to danger and sicknes. My Lord of Oxford an houre before he was relieved, had a bout with the enemy vpon the left corner of their halfe moone, and my Lord Veres musketiers of Dort, coming vp almost to the topp of the halfe moone gaue fire in the teeth of the enemy, and came to the push of pike thorow the blinds, this start'd them, & made them throwe stones to vs and cast hand granadoes amongst our men. but his Lord caused a souldier of Captaine Rockwoods company to cast 14 hand Granadoes amongst them, in to their halfe moone, which made them giue back and Cry *Guarda, Guarda*, The Granados being burst, they Came vpp againe to the top of the halfe moone, with as much hast as possible might be to giue fire vpo our men, but my Lord caused musketiers

sed muskettiers to be drawne to the top of our garde especially that of Captaine Clarke which was high they gaue fire apace vpon them, fercht some of them off which shewed their heads, and bodies, this peece of service being ended my Lord of Oyford being Relieued drew away to our quarters.

On Count Ernests side the 19 of August the brush, and plancks were laved ouer to their Horne-worke, and a mine made into it. This mine being sprung, the Scotch, and the Dutchie fell on couragiously, and they and the Enemy gaue fire apace one at another for three quarters of an houre, our ordinance playing from all batteries, as fast as they could charge, and discharge. In this time the Enemy endured three assaults, with the losse of many men, as the Burgers afterward reported who were present vpon the walls, but the Enemy gaue fire so from 3 wall of the Towne, and out of the greathalfe-moone, that our men not carryi^g it were driuen for that time to retreace into the mouth of their gallery, and workes, yet this advantage they got, they set vp some musket baskets, and lodged some men vpon the right corner of their horne-worke, from whence they began a sap, and made blinds toward their halfe-moone which after another mine was sprung, caused the Enemy on 21 of August to quit it wholly to them, & so retired into their halfe-moone. In this fight, were slayne, Captaine Ramsey, and two dayes after a Dutch captaine, called captaine Hatton who carryed themselues very worthily.

On the 23 of August wee had a generall thanksgiuing, and a Triumph thorow out the whole army, in acknowledgment of the great goodnesse of God, for the taking in of Wesell.

The triumph was made in this manner following, first the musketeers were drawne off from all out guards (sawing the approaches) and out of our quarters, and placed along the inner line next the Towne, some fixe foote distance one from another. The pikes were drawne to the out line and out-guards, and the rest stood by diuisions in the quarters, euery one of them hauing a wispe of strawe vpon the head of his pike, to be set on fire, when the signall should be given. The volley of musketeers should begin at Crevi-cœur, where the Princesse lay, and so to Engelen, from thence along the men of warre, and the Redonbts by the Busse floote, to Monsieur Pincens quarter, so to the French line, the approaches, and then to vs, from thence to the Lord of Breadbroods quarter, and so along to Count Ernests quarter, and so to Count Williams quarter where it ended. Betwixt euery volley, the canō which lay vpon the Batteryes of the out line, those which were drawne out of our quarters to the heath by the stone gallows.

gallowes, and those which were in all the approaches should be shot off. The signall was this, about ten a clocke in the night, when a granado was shot into the Towne, then the first volley should beginne, and the wisps of straw vpon the heads of the pikes, should be set on fire. All which was done accordingly and made a braue show. The volly met with a stop at the first, but when it came to the French line, to the approaches, to vs, to the lord of Breadbroods, to Count Ernest quarter, and Count Williams quarter it ran well. Betweene the vollyes, there were aboue 300 peeces of ordinance from Crevi-cœur, and round about our army discharged, those of the Towne acknowledged afterward, that shooing at once with so many ordinance out of our approaches into the towne did much amaze them. And then they began to beleue indeed that Wesell was Geux, though the gouernour by all meanes laboured to conceale it from them, and thus much touching our Triumph for Wesell.

On the first of September Monsieur Stakenbrock, Lieutenant Generall of the horse, The Duke of Bouillon, with ten troopes of horse, three hundred firelockes, and diuers English, and french muskettiers taken out of diuers companies, and three halfe French canon toward euening were drawne out of our quarters, and marcht that night to a small towne and castle in Brabant called *Esdoven*, some six houres going from the Buffle, where some 400 of the Enemies *Wardgeldots*, or as we terme them fresh water souldiers, taken on by those of Flanders, who lay lurking there, to see if in the night they could haue cut our Trench, vpon the out line, and let in the water vpon vs which stood without our entrenchment. But his Excellency hauing intelligence of them prepared this Camisado for them, they hauing advertisement by some peasants their freinds, of our mens coming, stole away in the night, and trusted rather to their heeles then to their armes.

Yet they were not gone so farre, but the Duke of Bouillon with his horse fetches them vp, and rounds them in a morrace, and by a ditch, and charging them, slew about 70 of them.

The rest cryed out for quarter, and because they were such souldiers, the Duke was in a quandary, whether he should giue them quarter or noe, but at last with much entreaty, he granted them quarter, & tooke 160 of them prisoners, and brought them the next day to our quarters. In the Castle they left behind them, foure petars made of oken planckes, some three ynches thicke, and the chamber or briche, lined with Iron. These should haue bin charged with powder and stones, to haue bin discharged out of their sloopes vpon our

trench

Trench, and so having made a rupture in our line, have let in a sea of water to have drowned, and overflowne all our approaches, these engines were brought likewise in karre to his Excel. house in our quarters.

On the fifth of September, the Trench, & s'gotts being layd from the end of our long gallery to the very foundation of the bulwarke: the miners began a mine thorow the bricke into it. but by reason the Enemy had sinck a peece from the end of their halfe-moone, which shot iust into the mouth of the mine, it was not being there, which made the miners schy, ymore because two of the miners were slayne, which had taken it on, in the very mouth of the mine, and could not be brought off, this lasted five daies till a blind was made from the end of our gallery to the bulwarke, and then there was found three souldiers of my Lord Generall Veres company of Schoonhoven, to wit John Scott, William Lee, and especially Richard Priftman, who was skillfull in digging, and underpropping of Colepits in England, undertooke it, & perform'd it well, and this commendations one may give them, that it tooke the best effect of any mine, which was ever sprung before the buffe.

Well then on the tenth of September being munday, betime in the morning, Sr Jacob Ashly Lieutenant Coronell to Generall Morgans Regiment, had the command that night in the Approaches. And with such a doe a mine was made in the Enemies halfe moone before the Port, ere the mine was sprung he sent a Sariant with sixe muskettiers to the top of the halfe-moone, to give the Enemy an alarm, to bring them on towards our mine, and then for feare of endangering our owne men, he was to retreate back againe, all which was done accordingly. The mine then being blowne vp, tooke but little effect, for the reasons above said, and made no great entrance into their halfe moone. After this Sr Simon Harecourts Bnsigne was commanded to fall vp with some 30 musketeers to top of the halfe-moone, and to give fire among the Enemy, which he did. The Enemy stood it out a good while thinking to draw on our men to two of their owne mines which were to be sprung. Now the Enemies two mines being blowne vp, Sr Jacob Ashly fell vp, and gave order to Sr Simon Harebourt to fall into the Enemies halfe-moone with 30 muskettiers and pikes more, with his Ensigne, and the 30 abovesaid. The Enemy disputing it a good while but at last Sr Symon and his men beate them vp to their entrance into their halfe moone by the moare side, and there changed bullets one with another, and came to puth of pike, and after they had mayntained that place

place a pretty while, he droue them from thence along the mount side to a travertise, which was cast vp some 60 paces from the hid entrance into the halfe-moone, where following them close, and giuing fire vpon them, at last they bid him farewell, and retreated into the Towne by Saint Johns Port.

This being done he himselfe with his men made a stand at the entrance into the halfe moone, where the Enemy stood it out till it began to be light, and till our men were lodged in the top of the halfe-moone, in those places which might most offend the Enemy. This was the first worke, which was carried by force of Armes, and really disputed. In this fight Sir Simon Harecourt was five times thrust, and shot thorow his cloathes, and yet it pleased God he came off well, and with honor. After our men had taken in the halfe moone, his Excell. came downe into the gallery, and gaue extraordinary thanks to Sir Iacob Ashly, Sir Simon Harecourt, & the rest of the officers and souldiers, which had carried themselves so well, and rewarded some of the souldiers with mony. And thus the Enemy on our side was shut vp into the Towne.

The same night came on Sir Harry Harbourd, Lieutenant Coronell to Coronell Harewood, & relieved Sir Iacob Ashly. He brought with him for the reliefe, my Lord Generall Veres company of Schoonhoven, Sir Harry Harbourds owne company, Captaine Gouldwells, Captaine Abrihalls, and Captaine Nelsons. The gallery being got ouer 91 posts, from the end of it, the brush, & planckes, and a blind was layd to the bulwarke, and the mine being ready, the powder was chamberd and the traine layd to it: His Excell. as mercifull as valiant (to try what the Enemy would doe) gaue order to Sir Harry Harbourd, that on Tewesday morning after the mine was sprung in the Bulwarke. Our men should fall on, and though they should possesse the Bulwarke, and be masters of it: yet they should retire into the gallery. The mine then being blowne vpooke good effect, and cast vp a great deale of Earth & stones into the ayre, and shattered some two rodns of our gallery in peeces, and made a breach mountable. After this Sir Harry gaue order that Captaine Abrihalls Sarient (who was slayne going on) should fall vp to the breach with his musketeers, that Captaine Nelsons Lieutenant should likewise do the like with 30. men more to second the Sarient. And Captaine Gouldwell as eldest Captaine to second them with the pikes from the end of our gallery, all which was done accordingly our men falling vp to the breach, gaue fire in the very teeth of the Enemy, our musketeers giuing fire from all guards, and flankes, and our ordinance thundring from all batteries, did

To amaze and startle them, that they quitted the Bulwarke, & retreated, where it was cut off to the skirt of the wall by the Vuchter port. This being done our men staved a pretty while vpon the breach, till they had discharged all their bandeliers and till that Sr Harry caused them (according to his Excel. command) to retreat againe into the gallerie. In this fight was shot thorow his thigh, a valiant and a worthy gentleman, one Mr Browne of Coronell Harewoods company, who some three weekes after dyed in the Busse. Our men being drawne off, the Enemy came againe to the breach, and cast vp a little defence of Earth, wch the mine had blowne vp, and brush vpon it, but our two halfe Canon, which lay vpon the right side of our entrance into the gallerie, beate the Earth and brush, which they cast vp, about their Eares, and shote of the heads of the souldiers pikes, which stood there for the defence of their workemen, this made a terrible alarm in the Towne, so that the Bells rung, the women and children cryed, the Burgers and the popish priests by flockes ran to the Gouvernour, & told him, that (*aut tunc aut nunquam*) it was time to listen to a reasonable, and an honorable composition, for the safeguard of their lues, and goods, wee on the other side expected a day, and thought to haue ransacke their bagges, and inuete out veluets, and sattins by the pikes length, but the Gouvernour giuing way to their request, taking hold of this occasion strikes his fayle, and came with the Bishop, Abbot, and diuers officers to the parapet of the Vuchter port, there beate a parley: and so our war ceased. And the Hostages being receiued and deliuered on both side, they beganne to parley, & commissioners being sent our, concluded these articles of composition following, that the Towne should be giuen into his Excel. hand on monday the 17 of September 1629. new stile. Oh y we could therefore honor our God for this victory with a holy life, and conuersation, and that the consideration of this his great goodnesse towards vs might lead vs to repentance. It is true O Lord (as the pape said) that in this siege, thou hast commanded the foure Elements, fire water, Earth, and Ayre to fight & worke for vs. Thou art the God of the faithfull from euorlasting to eueilasting, Thy mighty and outstretched arme hath led vs, thy guidance hath traced vs out the way Thy providence hath ouer-shadowed vs, and thy mercifull protection hath preserved vs thorow many dangers O blessed is the man that maketh thee his safe retreat, O Lord this vere thou hast crownd our general with an Absolute victory and hast sent him, his chieffes, and vs home with honour, and there fore not vnto vs O Lord, not vnto vs, but vnto thy name glorie for thy mercy and thy truth sake. Amen.

ARTICLES

Granted by his Excie my Lord the Prince of
Orange, to the Gouvernour of the
Bulle, & the Capraines,
Officers and Souldiers therein.

I

That the Gouvernour of the Bulle, with all the officers of warre, and souldiers of what quality, or condition soeuer they be; aswell Horsemen, as foot, none excepted: yea though they haue abandoned the service of my lords the states, and given themselves into that of the King of Spaines, shal goe out of the towne without any disturbance, or molestation with their armes and baggage; The horse by the Sound of the trumper, their Corners displayed, arm'd Compleate, and their pistoles in their hands: The foote beating their drummes, their Colliers flying, their matches lighted at both ends, bullet in mouth, and in rancke and forme, as they vie to march in battaile, with their goods, and the safety of their liues to the towne of Diest.

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They shall carry with them fixe peeces of Ordinance, and two morters at the choise of the Gouvernour, with all the traine, equi page, and munition of warre, sufficient to discharge every one a dussen shot.

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They shalbe furnished with horse, waggons, and their Conductours sufficient to draw the ordnance and morters with all their trayne and Munition vnto the towne of Diest.

4

All munitions of warre and of victualls appertaining to the King of Spaine, shalbe deliucted by such as his Excie shall appoint to this effect, saving those victualls which were sould before the 12th of this moneth, when wee began to treare, which shall remaine sould, without search or making inquiry after any man that hath made any sale of them.

5

All officers and souldiers aswell sick as hurt in the Gesthouse or in any other place shall remaine there till they haue recovered their healths, and are able to goe away, giuing them safe Conuoy and commodity to bring them their Armes and baggage to the towne of Diest or Breda.

A Sufficient number of waggons and horse which the Governour shall require, aswell for his particular service, as for the officers & souldiers to carry their goods and Baggage to Delft is graunted them, comprehending therein all their Armes: yet the souldiers of the garrison of the Towne, absent sicke, dead, hurt or fled, and that the said waggons shall in no case be visited.

Those which will desire to carry their goods and baggage to Antwerpe shall haue boates without any charge to them, to bring them thither thorow Holland, freed from all manner of taxes, toles, or impositions permitting them men to looke vnto their goods and baggage, which shall not be visited nor stayed in any place vnder any pretence whatsoever, but shall passe to Antwerpe without disbarking themselves.

The Gouverneur, Chiefs, officers military, Judges, souldiers, and all others receiuing paye from the King of Spaine, aswell Clergy men as Lay-men none excepted, as also the widdowes and children, which haue in the said Towne any houses, Inheritances, Rents, either vpon the states of Brabant in these quarters, or the Towne, or vpon houses or particular grounds, other goods moueable or immoueable, shall haue the space & time of two yeeres after the signing of this Treatie, to transport them, to sell them, to mortgage them at their wills, or otherwise, to dispose of their goods, and during the said time shall enioy their Rents, hyres of houses, suites and goods, present or to be gotten of what nature and condition soeuer they be.

That the officers and souldiers of what charge or condition soeuer they be, may leaue their wives & children in the town & during this terme of two yeeres may dispose of their goods moueable and immoueable situated in the said Towne, or els where none excepted, without any confiscation or prize to be made of them.

That the officers and souldiers, leaueing their charge and service within the time of two yeeres, may freely returne into the said Towne, and enioy this Treatie as other Burgers and Inhabitants doe, provided that first they give notice thereof to his Excellence or the Gouverneur of the said Towne.

None officers or souldiers goods or baggage shall be arrested here for any debts whether he goes out with the garrison, or
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being sick or hurt, or at his going out when he is recovered.

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The prisoners aswell on the one side as on the other, of what Condition forer they be, shalbe sett at liberty without paying of ranfome, but onely for their dy et according to the taxation of the place.

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That all the boore made by those of the Towne aswell before as during the siege, shal not be restord back by them, but shal remaine with them,

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After the Articles of this Composition are signed, time shall be given to the Governour of the Busse to send an expresse messenger to the serenissime Infanta of Spaine, with safe Conduct and assurance, to giue her aduice of what is past, and it is to be vnderstood that the Governour may doe that the same day as the articles are signed.

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The Conditions being coneluded, two dayes at the least shall be given to the Governour, and souldiers to prepare themselves for their departure.

16

The time limited being expired the said Governour and officers doe promise to depart the garison, to wit on Munday next betime in the morning which wilbe the 17th of this present month of September.

17

Yet to be vnderstood that during the time of these two dayes noe man in the towne may come into the Armie, nor thole of the Armie goe into the Towne, and that for the avoyding of disorder, but every one in the meane while to keepe themselves in the trenches and fortifications, without making of any approach or act of hostilitie, in assurance whereof hostages shalbe giuen on both sides.

18

That before the garrison depart sufficient Hostages shalbe giuen on his Excie behalfe, who shall march with the garrison Armes and baggage to Diest, and a counter change for them by the Governour, which shall remaine in the Army, till his Excies hostages and waggons be returned, and assoone as they are come back his Excie will send their hostages with safe conduct and assurance vnto the Towne of Diest.

19

The Officers, Captaines and others comprised in the first Article

Article of this Treatie, having any armes, beames, Scoopers or
other preparations of warre, belonging particularly to them
selves, may sell or transport them, without any enquiry to be
made about those which shall buy or carry them away.

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There shall be noe restitution made of any horses, marchan-
dises, wares or any other goods sold or held for bootie, nor
noe man called in question about that.

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Those of the garrison of Breda being in the Towne, as well offi-
cers as particular souldiers may returne to Breda with the safe-
ty of their lives and goods, as likewise shall be given to them
a sufficient number of horse and waggons and a hostage to
carry them and their goods thither in all assurance, according
to the tenor of the first Article as comprehended therein.
Given at the Camp before Bussse the 14th of September 1639
and was signed P Henry de Nassaw . A de Grobindonek.
And beneath written.

By his Excell^{ty} order

I Insign

And sealed with his Excell^{ty} scale
of Armes.

POINTS.

Agreed on by his Excellence the Prince of Orange,
and the Deputies of the high and mightie Lords
the States Generall of the vniited prouinces,
to the Ecclesiastickes, Magistracy,
and Bargeses of the
City of the
Bulle.

First that all offences, injuries, and acts of hostility, committed hapned, and effeuated betwene this Towne, and those of the vniited prouinces, aswell from the beginning of these in restine troubles, Commotions, and warres, as likewise during this siege, in what places, and in what manner soeuer, either in general, or in peticular, aswell within, as without, are, and shall remayne pardoned, and forgot, and held as if they had neuer hapned, so that at no time any mention, molestation, pretence, suite or inquisition in law within or without, for the causes aboue said shall be made, prosecuted, or layd to the charge of the liuing or heires of the dead, or also to any goods belonging to them.

That the inhabitants of this Towne shall carry themselves conformable to the edicts of this land, enioying the liberty of conscience. as they vsually doe ouer all. And that all Ecclesiasticall and clergie men, shal depart the Towne within the space of two moneths, behauing themselves in the meane while according to the Edicts of the land, and may take and carry along with them their moueables, Images, Pictures, and Church ornaments.

The said Ecclesiastickes shall enioy during their life the reuenues and frutes of their goods, in such places where they pay contribution, yet it is to be vnderstood, that the Ecclesiasticall and pastorall goods shall fall to the high and mighty lords the states generall, who shall haue the disposing of them, aswell for the profit of the Towne as other wise.

That the Nunns, and other Ecclesiasticall women, may abide in the Towne, and shalbe maintained during their liues out of the reuenues of their cloisters yet remayning in the disposition of the high and mighty lords the states generall, whether they

they shalbe accommodated in their cloisters, or provided with other dwellings.

That also all the inhabitants of this towne, aswel Ecclesiasticks, Nuns, as secular persons fled or otherwise, whoeuer they bee, bearing office in the oath, gouernments, and service of his maiestie as souldiers or others, The states of Brabant belonging to this towne or not, their liues and goods shalbe preserved, aswel in generall as particular, if they contrary not the precedent Article.

Also that this towne with the inhabitants and burgers thereof, aswel the clergie as laye men shalbe treated and vsed in all gentleness and benignity by the lords, the states Generall, hereforward to liue in all friendship and Concordance with the other vniued prouinces and Townes to trade and traffique one with another according to their ancient liberty as is sitting

That the high and mighty lords the states general & his Exels the prince of Orange, shal vse & exercise in the said towne, liberty, territories, & iurisdiction thereof, forso much as they are annexed to the towne, the same right and iurisdiction as the Dukes and Duchesses of Brabant hitherto haue had, and to treat with this towne, and in like manner as the capitall townes of Brabant are vsed to doe.

That this towne, Burgesses and inhabitants thereof, shall retaine within the liberty of the said towne, all their rights, Customs, freedoms, exemptions, and all other priuiledges, aswel generall as particular which they haue enioyed and possessed a long time before the warres, aswel by warres lastty and within and without the towne, as in Brabant, Gelderland, Holland, Zealand, vpon the Rhyne, and other prouinces places and rivers, aswel taxes, sales of timber, Ingebor, the Staple of wool, and others done excepted, forasmuch as concerns their lawfull possession.

That the ruling and gouernment of the towne, aswel for the Administration of iustice, as in politiue matters shall continue with the magistrates, and the three members of the Towne, and that noe other persons shalbe promoted thereto, or chosen, but such as are natifs of the said towne, or which haue received holy baptisme there, or such others as the high and mighty lords the states general shall thinke good to naturalize and qualifie therevnto : Sauing that for this time the

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Government both in iustice and pollicie, aswell in chiefe as subordinate Magistrates shalbe absolute appointed and constituted by his Ex^{ty} & the deputyes of the high and mighty lords the states generall.

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That the towne shall hold in their owne government and disposition, all their inhabitantes, right of imposition, Fisheries wayes, corne measure, and monethly monyes, and all their sightes and reuenues in the same manner, and as they have hitherto enjoyed the disposition and ordering of them, provided that they have right therevnto, and without prejudicing the other members of the vnited prouinces.

11

Those of the towne shall keepe still the residue of their victuals, materials and other their common goods sold for the benefit, and the easing of the towne of charge, and preserved at the disposition of the abovesaid three members, except the Ordinance, armes and other munitions kept for the Towne, which may not be sold.

12

That all Confraternities, Artilleries, gilds, and occupations, being at this present in the towne, shall remaine in esse and keepe their ancient charters, ordinances, & priuiledges together with all their goods ready or vntready, and to this end in time to come they may be ordered by the said confraternities, occupations, gilds, or sold or bought by them, and so to be gouerned by the marshalls, headmen, and Rulers thereof for the common good, and to dispose of them according to their pleasures.

13

That in the County of Holland, and other vnited prouinces the tree Armes of this towne shall not be stamped or counterfeited; neither any the markes belonging to the gilds, or occupations of this towne, as the Cutlars, the point-makers, and other hand crafts men, but that euery one shall keepe, and vse heir owne proper marke, and that of the townes where the tworkemanship is made. And that all gilds, and manufactures as also the Dyers & the new yeerely fayres procured during these troubles in the maioury of this cyty shall cease, vntill those of the maioury being heard therevpon touching their anuall faires, otherwise shall be disposed of in all equity, by the high and mighty lords the states generall.

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The Inhabitants of the Busse, and those in the country sitting vnder contribution haue graunted them, and shall be executed

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as the other good inhabitants of the united provinces, as well
we him the towne as dwellers in the plaine country.

15

And for that which concerne the Rents, and lawfull debts,
made by the three members of the cyty or their deputies,
also ordeined by the magistrate, or accepted to be payed, as
well during this siege as before whether they are enrolled or
sealed or noe, the magistrate of the towne, shall deliuer ouer
a pertinent state, that the high & mighty lords afterward may
in all equity dispose thereof.

16

And for the payment of them, and all other charges of the
Towne, the preteint accises, impositions and other meanes of
the towne in future time shall take their vsuall course, which
may be increased or diminished by the three members, yet
so as they doe noe preiudice to the meanes which is rayfed
for the common weale.

17

That all acts, resolutions, decrees & ordinances made by the
three members or magistracie, forasmuch as they doe not
contradiet the state or good of the united provinces, also the
sentences giuen in power of Iudicature by the Shriefes, as
likewise all euiction of goods duely solemnized, situated, with
in or without this towne shall remaine in their force, & vi-
gour, yet so as that it be no preiudice of the interessed parties,
neither vppon the right of appeale, or reformation, if that
belongs vnto them.

18

That those which are at this present in the Magistracie, or
haue bin heretofore, shall not be molested, nor troubled, be-
cause of the Acts and Ordinances, graunted by them for the
distribution or payment of any mony for the Towne, or other
prouissions made, neither shall also the receiuers be called to an
account for any mony that they haue payed and receiued, nor
that the Accounts of the abouesaid receiuers, and other depu-
ties of this towne shalbe subiect to any search or revision.
As likewise all the Accounts giuen vp by the receiuers of the
Demaines, States of Brabant, receiuers of licences, Conuoyes,
and fortifications, shall continue as they are without any in-
quiry made after them.

19

That the gouernment of the table of the holy ghost, the great
hospitall, the fabrick of churches, orphan houses, lasories,
and iuggs, mad men, and other foundations of hospitalls for
men and women, and the authorisation of the Ouerseers, and
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directours of them^e shalbe conferred and given by the thre members in conformity and according to the priuiledges of the city and as they haue bene exercised heretofore.

20

That also the owners of winde-mills, &c. oyle-mills within this towne and the freedome thereof during this siege, or which by former warres haue bin broken off, or shot downe, or otherwise demolished, may build them v^y againe in the same places, without suing any new warrantes for them, or to paye any other rights, then those which they haue vsed to pay heretofore, except the seruice of the Land should otherwise require it.

21

That euery Layeman of what condition soeuer he be, being in the oath and seruice of his Ma^{tie} of Spaine, whether of the towne or not, he shalbe freely permitted, after the surrendering to depart out of it with his family & goods, and to this ende may send for waggons, karres, boates or shipping out of Brabant, Holland, and other Newtrall townes, without any of their persons, goods, or the conductours of them, either going or coming shalbe hindered, molested, or troubled by the souldiers or fiscals, or any other, and that without requiring any other passport or consent but this.

22

Moreouer the burgers departed out of the towne, and such as are desirous to dwell in the towne, as likewise those which haue bin in the seruice, oath, military of his ma^{tie} or not, and the heerys belonging to them, shall haue three yeres liberty ensuing that they may in all places, aswell in the towne, liberty, and maioury thereof, sell, transport, change, barter their goods, as they thinke good and fitting, or to haue them receiued or administrated by such as shall seeme best to them, and coming to dye within or without the towne, during the same time, by will or without making of will, in such a case their goods shall fall to their instituted inheriours, or to the next of their kindred.

23

And those in the meantime, and during the aforesaid three yeres which will goe into the provinces and townes, belonging to it vnder the obedience of his Ma^{tie} about their particular affaires may freely doe the same foure times a yere with the former, knowledge of the gouernour of whome they shalbe bound to require a passport, which he shall giue them, vnesse he hath some iust reasons to the contrary. And at the end of these three yeres may make their abode in this towne

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or in other places where they pay contribution, where they shall enjoy the same liberty, forsooke, or palle, and in exchange every where, for the enioying of the effect of this present treaty.

24
That noe other governour shall be appointed to reside upon the Towne, nor his substitute, but one of the house of Nassau, or some other Netherlandish lords or vassals.

25
That the garrisons shall not enjoy any exemption or freedom of imposition from the meanes of the rowne, but shall help to beare the accise, as other inhabitants doe.

26
That all persons absent, their wives and children, aswell clergy as lay-men sied, shall be included, and comprehended in this treatie.

27
That all sicke and hurt, at this present in the great Hospitall or other houses, either souldiers or others may abide therein, till they are thoroughly recovered, or afterward to staye or to depart, as it pleaseth them, & to that end shall be assisted w waggons, or caris to carry away their baggage without any impeachment.

28
All these Articles are approued, agreed vnto by his Exels & the Deputies of the high & mighty lords the states General, & accepted on by the Ecclesiasticks, magistrates and Burgers of the said towne, in power of their letters of Attorney in wright whereof wee haue signed herevnto at Vucht in the Campe before the Linge the 14th of September 1629.

And was signed.

F. Henry de Nassaw.
Fr, Michael Bishop of the Bussie.
P. Iohannes moore Abbot of Bernes.
Iohannes Hermanus Deacon of the Bussie.
R. van Voorne. R. van Greeneven.
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Peeter Huberts Heriathuvel.

The Ratification.

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Of the united provinces, having heard the Report of their deputies, after the sight, lecture, and examination of the points and articles above named, have with ripe deliberation approved and ratified the same, as their highnes and mightines doe approve and ratifiethem by these, promising to keepe & observe them, and cause them to be kept and observed: according to the tenour and frime of them. Given in the Campe before the Busse the 14th of September 1629,

And was signed

Hen. Ter Cuylen. Vt supra,
and vnderneath was written.

By the order of the high & mighty lords the States general.
signed.

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And sealed with the seals of their highnesses and mightinesses

A
Supposition touching the state of the enemies gar-
rison which marched out of the
Bulle on munday the
27th September 1639
New stile.

First in the morning there marched out before the wagons some 50 horsemen and as many firelockes, and musketers. Of wagons and carts there went out about a thousand, whereof two thirdes had sicke and hurt souldiers in them, the others found men, which carried thier Clergie, women, children & souldiers to looke to their baggage and goods, of these there were at the least 450 hurt, and sicke men, and as many able men, with those that sat vpon the wagons, for some times 30 of them marched before the diuisions of the wagons, & some times five or six of them went a foote, without armes by the wagons side. it was thought that Grubbindoeck in pollicie let so many men Go out without armes, and vpon the wagons to make vs beleeue he had but a weake Garrison.

About 11 of the clock came the Iesuites and Priests, ryding vppon wagons and other monkes and friers Going a foote, His Excellencie being Goue to dinner with the King & Queene of Bohemia and the rest of the Lords and ladies, which stood vppon the batterie in two of his tents. In 3 meane while came Grobindonek the Gouvernours wife in her coach, who newly was come out of childbed accompanied with her daughter *Abbey-muntis* wife, Captaine of a horse troope, and his child lying vppon the nurses lapp in the forepart of the coach, Generall Morgan and some other courts her and made his stay before His Excellencies Tent til he with his traine returned fro dinner his Excelencie comming salued hir, and had some sma discourse with her and taking his leaue of hir, shee went his way.

Towards euening came the Gouvernopr himseife marching in the mid'st of his troopes hee staid long because his Cannon was Grauel'd and sunke into the Ground, that he could not drawe them away; The night drawing on his Excellencie sent him word by the Sariant Maior Generall, that he would send them after him on 3 morrow or els send them to *Antwepe* by shipping,

He had ordered his men by three diuisions, The first were the walloones, consisting of foure colours, being some 350 pikes, firelockes and musketers. The second five companies

of Burgonians, having in their Coullours, the picture of a woman holding a child in her armes, and about some 400 men. Then came the third and great division of high Dutches, marching, with 13 coullours, in the midst of their pikes, containing a matter of 750 men. They marched in their double open order at 12 foor distance betweene their rancks, as their manner is, and had mingled many firelocks in the rancks of musketeriers. These three divisions were a matter of some 1500 foor, with their officers. The Gouverneur marche out in the midst of them, betweene the Burgonians, and the high Dutches upon a white horse, and a russet Cassock and hose, with a red cross upon the left lap of his cassock. And passing by the Queen of Bohemia as she sat in her coach, he saluted her, & had some small speech with her, and so followed his troops. After the foote were past, came three troopes of horse, which brought vp the Rere. The first was about 60 in number. The second seventy. The third and last some 80, all well mounted, well armed, proper men, with red scarves about them. The number then of able men marching out in their severall divisions, and rancks, being 27 coullours in all, and those that went out with the wagons before, may be supposed to be about.

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The first troope of horse which marche out before the wagons, and the thres troops, which brought vp the Rere, to be a matter off.

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Of sicke, and hurt men, which went out with the wagons, & those which were left behind in the garrison houses, and in the Towne, some

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In all

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It was credibly reported by some of the best Burghers in the Towne, that during the siege, there were dayes officers, and souldiers, about 1500 men.

They had with them according to the Articles of Composition, three whole, and three halfe Canon, with two morters, and thus much touching the state, and ordering of their garrison marching out. It rests now to speake of some things in the Towne.

First there was a martinet which climbed vp to the top of the weathercock of Saint Johns Church, and set upon it an Orange Tawny flag, his Bazel Coullours, for memoriall that the Towne was Girt.

There was found about the waller, some 32 peeces of Ordnance, whereof two or three of them were halfe Canon, the rest brasse and Iron peeces.

In therosse Bishopps Chancel, There was an Image of Chr
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Christ, and the Virgin Mary, & the Bishop whose name was
Gisbertus Mosius kneeled betwene them, laying the one
hand vpon the wounds of Christ: & the other on the pape of
the virgin Mary, holding vp this latine verse in his hand.
Positus in medio, quo me verum nescio, hinc passus ad ultimum,
hinc lassus ad ubera.

Thus plac'd in mid'st, to turne I knowe not where,
for heere is wounds, which yeild mee fodde, and there
I'm nurs't from du'g by hir, with milke Chere.

But a plaine Hollander in the time of Truce, to put him
out of doubt, takes a coale, and wright vnder it. *Och arme Soe*
heert u tot Gods, that is, O poore Soe turne thee to thy God.

In this cloister a while before the Towne was giuen ouer,
there was a moncke in the shancill, sitting in one of the seats
of the quire, and reading in one of their masse-bookes about
13 of the clocke in the night, wee shot a grando into the
Towne, which fell iust into the seate where he sat, wore him,
his seate, and booke in peeces, that scarcely they could find a
mammoth left of him, onely leauing the tincture of his blood
vpon the wall, for a memoriall, which is to bee seene yet to
this day.

Ouer S^t Johns port was written in golden letters this latine
verse.

Hanc portam, cuiusque tui, atque, fore sique,
Custodi diuine Deo Patrone Iohannes.

Take this Care, Alters, Doores, thy Citizens,
(Iohn) lou'd of o o d our patron in defence.

But Siluer S^t Iohn, who had a mouth & spake not, eyes and
sawe not, and eares and heard not, and hands & felt not, &c.
with other their images were coffin'd vp, and carryed away
vpon wagons, but could not help them.

Ouer the gate of another cloister, was written this in latine
Hac no vadit, nisi dicas amo moris.

Do not Presume to goe this way,

Vnlesse thou doe (Haile, M A A Y) say.

There was a strange shot hapned in this siege. As in Ostend
there was a Canon bullet of the Enemies shot from the
downe battery, iust into the mouth of one of our canons, which
lay vpon the West bulwarks charged, these two bullets
striking together, gave fire to the loose corner of powder,
which were not driest home, our Canon went off, and sent
the enemy their owne bullet and ours backe to them againe.
So before the Dutch souldier presenting his musket, to shew
fire vpon the enemy: the enemy being quicker then he, shot
first at him, and shot iust into the bore of his musket, part of
the lead beating out at the Tutch-hole, and so by the pro-
vidence of God this souldier escaped a scoaring.

A List
Of our Noble men, Vounteirs, and
Gentlemen of our Nation, which bore
armes & trayled pikes at the Siege
of the Busse, vnder the foure En
glish Coronels companies, &
first of those which were vn
der my Lord Generall
Vere his first com-
pany Coronell
of Dort.

My Lord Haughton.
S^r Walter Eric.
S^r Roger Bann.
S^r Henry Hungate.
Barbant Maior Groue.
Captaine Thelwall.
Captaine Wyborowe.
Lieutenaunt Price.
Lieutenaunt Pomroy.]
Lieutenaunt Canson.
Lieutenaunt Deemac.
Lieutenaunt Kettleby.
Ensigne Luttrell.
Ensigne Hammon.
Ensigne Weynd.
Ensigne Holman.
Ensigne Grimes.
Ensigne Goldwel.
Ensigne Hudson.
Mr. Winwood
Mr. Gifford.
Mr. Byron.
Mr. Thyns.
Mr. Brigman.
Mr. Pariesax.
Mr. Hocham.
Mr. Stone.
Mr. Pellard.
Mr. Bruster.
Mr. Knevet.
Mr. Langford.

Mr. Wayeman.
Mr. Abbley.
Mr. Rolt.
Mr. Knasborow.
Mr. Caue.
Mr. Williams.
Mr. Powel.
Mr. Homer.
Mr. Veyne.
Mr. Wright.
Mr. Bassett.
Mr. Berry.
Mr. Prat.
Mr. Bonnington
Mr. Bradshaw.
Mr. Greene.
Mr. Langdon.
Mr. Hoot.
Mr. Ansell.
Mr. Hungesford.
Mr. Crewell.
Mr. Wilmore.
Mr. Cullam.
Mr. Essex.
Mr. Mildmay.
Mr. Polley.
Mr. Maddocks.
Mr. Humphreys.
Mr. Ellis.
Mr. Banberie.
Mr. Garling.

Of my Lord Generall Vere
his second Company of
Schoonhovcn.

Captaine Francisco de
Valrey.

Captaine Strassy.

Lieutenant Turnour.

Ensigne Quarles.

Cornet Harbare.

Mr Wrengham.

Mr Bammham.

Mr Weldon.

Mr Norman.

Mr Sprye.

Mr Ski pon.

Mr Coope.

Mr Hargcourt.

Mr Maycote.

Mr White.

Mr Hearle.

Mr Inglot.

Mr Browne.

Mr Copley.

Mr Brimingham.

Mr Role.

Mr Guyn.

Mr Chirwood.

Mr Knightly.

Mr Sanderfon.

Mr Hamon.

Mr Sedgwicks.

Mr Widdington.

Mr Lee.

Mr Throgmorton.

Mr Nancy.

Mr King.

Mr Williams.

Mr Black.

Volunteirs of my Lord Gene-
rall Cicils company Vicount of
Wimbleton,
Ieames Lord of Doncaster.
Boswell Lord Feelding.

William Lord Crom.
Sr: Thomas Glemman
Captaine Henry Tylliz.
Captaine Butler.
Captaine Lucan.
Sariant maior Boules.
Lieutenant Freeman.
Lieutenant Caswell.
Mr: Cicill.
Mr: Whitepole.
Mr: Clyford.
Mr: Tate.
Mr: Butler.
Mr: Symons.
Mr: Ichy.
Mr: Cheyne.
Mr: Broadbanks.
Mr: Courtney.
Mr: Downes.
Mr: Footeman.
Mr: Flood.
Mr: John Tate.
Mr: Bois.
Mr: Sackling.
Mr: Flemming.
Mr: Rice Powell.
Mr: Haughton.
Mr: Hipley.
Mr: Appleyard.
Mr: Ridley.
Mr: Vackell.
Mr: Solwin.
Mr: Darniel.
Mr: Colpher.
Mr: Smith.
Mr: Legg.
Mr: Moynes.

Volunters & Gentlemen of
General Morgans company

Sr: Thomas Bland.
Sr: Shesfeld Clapham
Sr: John Gossing.
Mr: Fowler.
Mr: Mumford.

Mr. De Witt
 Mr. William Williams
 Mr. Isaac Abbot
 Mr. Henry Abbot
 Mr. Morgan
 Mr. Tison
 Mr. Elcott
 Mr. Garth
 Mr. Reade
 Mr. Andrews
 Mr. Booth
 Mr. Merrick
 Mr. Martin
 Mr. Aldam
 Mr. Worley
 Mr. John Ashley
 Mr. Williams
 Mr. Turner
 Mr. Warner
 Mr. Garvis Wood
 Mr. Marshall

Mr. Gager
 Mr. Saint John
 Mr. Bareford
 Mr. Digby
 Mr. Mosse
 Mr. Gilby
 Mr. Lehant
 Mr. Waller
 Mr. Jeffries
 Mr. Fleetewood
 Mr. Killegrey
 Mr. Lambert
 Mr. Knightly
 Lt. Bagthor
 Mr. Yonge
 Mr. Pienning
 Mr. Frith
 Mr. Boulton
 Mr. Stewtly
 Mr. Keswick
 Mr. Bendish
 Mr. Roe
 Mr. Russell
 Mr. Carter

Volunteers and Gent. off
 Cornell Harwood company
 Captaine Perrell
 Captaine Baker
 Captaine Long
 Lieutenant Smith
 Lieutenant Gamish
 Ensigne Dolman
 Ensigne Moxford
 Ensigne Hering
 Ensigne Byron
 Mr. Snelling
 Mr. Browne
 Gentlemen of quality
 Mr. Croft

Volunteers and gentlemen of
 St Edward Veres company
 deceased.
 Lieu. Harwood
 Lieu. Turbot
 Mr. Marston
 Mr. Mandoc
 Mr. Galope
 Of Captaine John Cromwell
 company.
 Mr. Harry Cromwell
 Mr. Rochester Kite

Officers, and soldiers slayne before the Battle
 Of French
 The Baron of Comtamer, and 8 captaines more.
 Of the Dutch
 Captaine Paris, Monsieur Oredin, Captaine Ombars, and
 Captaine Frison.
 Of English
 Mr. Edward Vere, Lord Cornhill, Capt. Roes, Lieut. St. Cap.
 Byrom.
 Of Scotch
 Captaine Ramsey, Lieut. Hunt, my lord of Buckloughs Ensigne
 Of all nations according to the list given vp, about, 1600

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